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ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Petition	

FEES CALCULATION: For claims if required and/or other fees as shown below:					
	NOW	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TOTAL CLAIMS	27	23	4	X \$ 50 =	200
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDEP. CLAIMS	4	4	0	X \$ 200 =	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CLAIMS FEES =					200
Reduction by 1/2 for small entity status of applicant					
SUBTOTAL =					200
Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition)					
Other fee for					
TOTAL OF ALL FEES =					200

☒ A The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above-noted fee of \$200.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0439.

☐ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee, additional fee or extension fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 50-0439

(1) if no payment or an insufficient payment is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith; or

(2) if no petition for extension of time is enclosed but an EOT is required - and in this event, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely.

Date: February 2, 2005

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AMENDMENT	Application #	09/218,916
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In response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2004:

A) please consider the responsive **Remarks** provided herewith in **Attachment A**; and

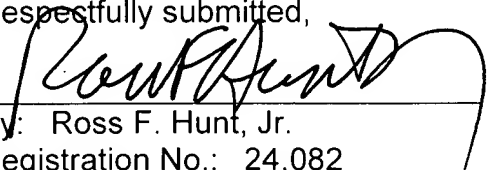
B) please amend the above identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment B**.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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